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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING
Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina

RE: Request for Items to be Added to Agenda for Commission Business Meeting on June 6, 2018 Docket 2014-346-WS and Docket 2018-166-WS

Docket 2014-340- W 5 and Docket 2016-100- W

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Our office represents Daufuskie Island Utility Company, Inc. (DIUC) in the proceedings assigned Docket 2014-346-WS and Docket 2018-166-WS. There are matters pending in both Dockets that relate to urgent financial issues.

Docket 2014-346-WS

In Directive Order 2018-324 (Docket #275919) the Commission ruled that "If a dollar amount for the unpaid refunds [outstanding for DIUC] is filed, the Commission should consider if and/or how much of Mr. Lee's personal funds must be retained." In response to Directive 2018-324, DIUC filed Docket Entries #276070 and #276072. These filings provide supplemental information for the Commission's consideration regarding the requested release of the Letter of Credit obtained by DIUC shareholder Terry Lee in June of 2017 to assist DIUC in securing a bond renewal

Docket 2018-166-WS

This proceeding was initiated by the filing of DIUC's Application for Approval to Enter into a Loan Agreement with SunTrust Bank. *See* Docket Entry #276126. In the Application DIUC seeks expedited review by the Commission for multiple reasons, including the need for generators in advance of the 2018 hurricane season. The Application explains:

In order to comply with an existing Consent Order between DIUC and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environment Control, DIUC is obligated to install generators for both the water and wastewater systems without delay. The supplier of the required generators advises that its production time is still delayed following last year's hurricane

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season and that installation for DIUC would be scheduled 4 to 8 weeks after an order is placed. With hurricane season approaching, DIUC needs to place its order for the generators as soon as possible, but the loan proceeds are required for DIUC to commit to that order. Because of the need for generators, it is imperative that the loan from SunTrust be approved without delay so that DIUC can consummate the loan as soon as SunTrust determines it is ready and willing to close the loan.

Docket Entry #276126. Hurricane season begins June 1st and the SunTrust financing subject to the Application must be secured before DIUC can order the required generators. Via letter dated May 23, 2018, filed as Docket #276179, the Office of Regulatory Staff informed the Commission that ORS "has reviewed and does not object to the Application." The letter further states that "Daufuskie's request does not impact current rates being charged to customers." *Id.*

Wherefore, DIUC respectfully requests that these two issues be added to the Agenda for consideration by the Commission during its next Business Meeting on June 6, 2018. Of course, if the Commission or the Office of the Clerk requires any additional information I will be happy to provide the same.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Sincerely,

/s/

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